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1. Prior to November 1950, the former German Keith Kaserne on the southwest side of ul. Kosciuszki in Gleiwitz (Q 51/Y 37) quartered a Polish unit [redacted] believed to be an infantry battalion. The barracks installation, which is bounded by ul. Zygmunt Starego on the southeast side, consisted of three large four-story buildings, two of which were definitely troop quarters. One day [redacted] four or five companies of young soldiers wearing khaki uniforms with stand-up collars, epaulets of the same color, and field caps with the Polish Eagle emblem marched out of the installation. [redacted] Soldiers seen in the vicinity of the installation wore visor caps with a light yellow band. The troops were equipped with small arms. No heavy weapons or motor vehicles were noticed. The unit practiced south of Richtersdorf (Q 51/Y 37) and in the training area northwest of Petersdorf (Q 51/Y 37). 50X1-HUM
2. The former German Ulanen Kaserne on the northwest side of ul. Rudzka was occupied by Polish troops. The installation is located just east of the Gleiwitz broadcasting station. Its buildings were marked by large Roman numerals, including VIII. Only minor parts of the installation were destroyed. Small groups of young soldiers were seen marching out of the billeting area on several days during the time of observation. They wore khaki army uniforms and visor caps with a red band. They were armed with carbines and submachine guns with drum magazines. *
3. An undamaged barracks installation which had been built before World War II was situated in the northwestern sector of the city, on the south side of the road to Klueschau (Q 51/Y 28), opposite a cemetery. Until November 1950, the installation housed a factory for the manufacture of detergents. However, it was rumored that the factory would be moved. [redacted] a small military detail in the installation in 1950. 50X1-HUM
4. The MO (Militia) office was located on Masny Square, formerly Invalidow Square. The RKU (recruiting office) was housed in the former military post hospital.
5. A residential area for Soviet officers and their dependents was on the north-east side of ul. Kosciuszki, opposite the barracks installation. The compound consisted of about 10 multi-story houses which have been occupied by the

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6. The post drill field was situated in the area northwest of Petersdorf and was bound by the autobahn on the south, the road to Peiskretscham (Q 51/Y 38) on the east, and the Gleiwitz-Laband (Q 51/Y 38) railroad line on the west.

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The vague description of the service color does not allow any conclusion as to the branch of service of the troops. Red cap bands are worn also by UB (Security Police) personnel.

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